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CIA seeks to suppress book

NEW YORK—Harper and Row has refused to hold up publication of a book titled The Politics of Herein in Southeast Asia, by Alfred W. McCoy, despite CIA requests. The secret intelligence organization claims the book would be a "disservice." The book is highly critical of the CIA's role in relation to drug production and trade in Southeast Asia.

McCoy said he gave a copy of the manuscript to the CIA under, protest and only because the publisher said it would not publish the study if the CIA was not given a chance to read it in manuscript.